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May 31, 1989

Alice C. Fuerst
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Dear Ms. Fuerst:

The Mass Load Analysis-Proposed Remedial Alternative at the Galena/Cherokee Subsite (Appendix F) has been reviewed with the following comments:

- (1) The six alternatives reviewed for mass loading, alternative no. 1 and 5 appear to be the least environmentally adequate alternatives;
- (2) Alternative no's 2 through 5 appear to provide the maximum loading benefit; however the economic impact of the milling and landfill disposal alternative makes the geochemically selective backfill alternative a viable option

The Chat and Sediment Data (Appendix B) was reviewed and the data in this report confirms the previous data that the majority of the metals is contained in the fines of the chat wastes.

Since this chat is considered a "waste product" how much of this material has been tested for EP toxicity to determine if the chat is actually a waste or a salable product? This question needs to be addressed before the final quantity figures are calculated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry Knoche".

Larry Knoche
Section Chief
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